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SIR:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) AND AMENDMENT

Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner to grant a two (2) month extension of time, up to and including January 24, 2006, in which to respond to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2005 in the above-identified application. The extension fee in the amount of \$225.00 may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047. In addition, any deficiencies may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047.

In response to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2005, the period therefore having been extended by a Petition therefore and payment of the extension fee, kindly consider the following remarks.